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Status

1)☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on <u>05 January 2006</u>.

2a)☐ This action is **FINAL**.   2b)☒ This action is non-final.

3)☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is
closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

4)☒ Claim(s) <u>1,3,5-12 and 15-30</u> is/are pending in the application.

    4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.

5)☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.

6)☒ Claim(s) <u>1,3,5-12 and 15-30</u> is/are rejected.

7)☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.

8)☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

9)☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.

10)☒ The drawing(s) filed on <u>27 February 2002</u> is/are: a)☒ accepted or b)☐ objected to by the Examiner.

    Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).

    Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).

11)☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

12)☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).

    a)☐ All   b)☐ Some * c)☐ None of:

      1.☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.

      2.☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.

      3.☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage
application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

    * See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

1)☒ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)

2)☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)

3)☐ Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08)
    Paper No(s)/Mail Date _____.

4)☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413)
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5)☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)

6)☐ Other: _____.

DETAILED ACTION

A request for continued examination under 37 CFR 1.114, including the fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(e), was filed in this application after final rejection. Since this application is eligible for continued examination under 37 CFR 1.114, and the fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(e) has been timely paid, the finality of the previous Office action has been withdrawn pursuant to 37 CFR 1.114. Applicant's submission filed on January 5, 2006 has been entered.

Response to Arguments

Applicant's arguments filed January 5, 2006 with respect to claims 1, 3, 5-12, and 15-30 have been fully considered.

1.   Arguments with respect to claims 1, 3, 5-12, and 15-30 are moot as the amendment overcomes the objection, and the objection with respect to claims 1, 3, 5-12, and 15-30 are withdrawn.

2.   Arguments with respect to claims 28-30 are moot with respect new ground(s) of rejections.

3. Arguments with respect claims 1, 3, 5-12, and 15-27 under 103(a) Rejection
   have been fully considered but they are not persuasive.

The applicant argued features in the claims, i.e. providing method and device
identifying antennas to transmit wireless signals in a CDMA system, selection of
plurality of antennas to transmit wireless signals from a BTS to a receiver, the
CDMA system including a pathway manager coupled to the plurality of the
antennas, " identifying one of the plurality of antennas to transmit the wireless
signal to the receiver by selecting the one of the plurality of antennas based on
geographic proximity to the receiver; and transmitting the wireless signal by the
one of the plurality of antennas to the receiver", and "a pathway manager
coupled to the plurality of antennas, the pathway manager configured to identify
one of the plurality of antennas to transmit the wireless signal by selecting the
one of the plurality of antennas based on a geographic proximity to the receiver;
and a receiver configured to receive the wireless signal transmitted by the one of
the plurality of antennas" to be established read upon Rudrapatna (Rudrapatna
U. S. Publication 2002,0132,600) in view of Smith (Smith et al. U. S. Patent
6006075). Examiner respectfully disagrees. As discussed in the rejected bellow,
Rudrapatna discloses a method and apparatus for selecting the plurality of
antennas to transmit and receive wireless signals in a CDMA system, each of the
plurality of antennas (103) is configured to transmit the wireless signal to a
mobile station receiver, identify one pair of the plurality of antennas to transmit

the mobile (wireless) signal to the receiver, identifying one pair of the plurality of

antennas and transmit based on the signal frequency and time that is directly

related to the location of the receiver, however, Rudrapatna does not specifically

teach selecting one antenna and the *geographic proximity, in related art,* Smith

teaches *selection of an antenna and transmission based on the location*

(geographic proximity).

Rudrapatna and Smith are both analogous to the applicants teaching, that's

why they do obviate. Therefore, the rejection is maintained.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103

The following is a quotation of 35 U.S.C. 103(a) which forms the basis for all

obviousness rejections set forth in this Office action

> (a) Patent may not be obtained though the invention is not identically disclosed or described
> as set forth in section 102 of this title, if the differences between the subject matter sought to
> be patented and the prior art are such that the subject matter as a whole would have been
> obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to
> which said subject matter pertains. Patentability shall not be negatived by the manner in
> which the invention was made

4.   Claims 1, 3, 5-12, and 15-27 are rejected under 35 U.S.C.103(a) as being

unpatentable over Rudrapatna (Rudrapatna U. S. Publication 2002,0132,600) in

view of Smith (Smith et al. U. S. Patent 6006075).

Regarding claim 1, Rudrapatna discloses a method for transmitting wireless

signals in a CDMA distributed antenna system *(see for example, paragraph*

[0002], lines 1-4, [0004], lines 1-12, [005], lines1-12, and [0027], lines 1-8), the

method comprising the steps of: providing a plurality of antennas *(see for*

example, paragraph [0031], lines 5-8, and [0032], lines 5-25, plurality of

antennas), where each antenna is configured to transmit a wireless signal to a

receiver *(see for example, paragraph [004], lines 1-4, [005], lines1-12, [007],*

lines 1-9, [0031], lines 5-8, and [0032], lines 5-25, the each antenna (103) is

configured to transmit the wireless signal to a mobile station receiver), identifying

[one] of the plurality of antennas to transmit the wireless signal to the receiver

(see for example, paragraph [004], lines 1-4, [005], lines1-12, [0020], lines 1-12

[0024], lines 1-23, [0025], lines 1-8, lines 20-32, [0026], lines 1-10, [0030], lines

13-14, [0031], lines 6-25, identify one pair of the plurality of antennas to transmit

the mobile (wireless) signal to the receiver) by selecting the *[one]* of the plurality

of antennas based on *[geographic proximity]* to the receiver *(see for example,*

paragraph [004], lines 1-4, [005], lines1-12, [0007], [0024], lines 1-23, lines1-9,

[0025], lines 1-8, lines 20-32, [0026], lines 1-15, [0030], lines 13-14, antenna

selection based on the transmit signal characteristics such as frequency content

(based on location of the receiver), and time slot); and transmitting the wireless

signal by the [one] of the plurality of antennas to the receiver *(see for example,*

paragraph [004], lines 1-4, [005], lines1-12, [007], lines 1-9, [0031], lines 5-8, and

[0032], lines 5-25, transmitting the mobile (wireless) signal to the plurality of

receiver).

Rudrapatna does not specifically teach selecting one antenna and the *geographic proximity*, however, Rudrapatna teaches identifying one pair of the plurality of antennas and transmit based on the signal frequency and time that is directly related to the location of the receiver *(see for example, paragraph [004], lines 1-4, [005], lines1-12, [0007], lines1-9, [0025], lines 1-8, lines 20-32, [0026], lines 1-15, [0030], lines 13-14, antenna selection based on the transmit signal characteristics such as frequency content (based on location of the receiver).*

In a related art dealing with plurality of antennas transmitting mobile (wireless) signals *(see for example, column 1, lines 42-45, lines 56-57, column 3, lines 1-6, column 11, lines 1-9)*, Smith teaches selecting one antenna and the *geographic proximity (see for example, column 1, lines 42-45, lines 56-57, column 3, lines 1-6, column 5, lines 28-34, column 11, lines 1-9, selection of a antenna and transmission based on the location (geographic proximity)).*

It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time invention was made to include Smith's one antenna selection into Rudrapatna's mobile communication system and plurality of transmission antennas provide a CDMA communication system with greater transmission and signal diversity to overcome the effects of multi-path fading, and to improve the quality of communications system *(Smith, see for example, column 1, lines 41-45, column 4, line 28-35, and column 13, lines 39-40, and column 5, lines 28-34).*

Regarding claim 11, Rudrapatna discloses a CDMA distributed antenna

system comprising in combination: a plurality of antennas *(see for example,*

paragraph [0002], lines 1-4, [0004], lines 1-12, and [0027], lines 1-8, and,

paragraph [0031], lines 5-8, and [0032], lines 5-25, plurality of antennas), where

each antenna is configured to transmit a wireless signal *(see for example,*

paragraph [004], lines 1-4, [005], lines1-12, [007], lines 1-9, [0031], lines 5-8, and

[0032], lines 5-25, the each antenna (103) is configured to transmit the wireless

signal to a mobile station receiver), a pathway manager coupled to the plurality of

antennas *(see for example, paragraph [0024], lines 1-23, [0025], lines 1-8, lines*

20-32, [0026], lines 1-10, the controller (pathway manager) coupled to the

plurality of antennas), the pathway manager configured to identify *[one]* of the

plurality of antennas to transmit the wireless signal *(see for example, [004], lines*

1-4, [005], lines1-12, paragraph [0024], lines 1-23, [0025], lines 1-8, lines 20-32,

[0026], lines 1-10, the controller (pathway manager) configured to identify one

pair of the plurality of antennas to transmit the mobile (wireless) signal) by

selecting the *[one]* of the plurality of antennas based on *[geographic proximity]* to

the receiver *(see for example, paragraph [004], lines 1-4, [005], lines1-12, [0007],*

[0024], lines 1-23, lines1-9, [0025], lines 1-8, lines 20-32, [0026], lines 1-15,

[0030], lines 13-14, antenna selection based on the transmit signal

characteristics such as frequency content (based on location of the receiver), and

time slot); and a receiver configured to receive the wireless signal transmitted by

the *[one]* of the plurality of antenna *(see for example, paragraph [004], lines 1-4,*

[005], lines1-12, [007], lines 1-9, [0031], lines 5-8, and [0032], lines 5-25, the

each antenna (103) is configured to receive the mobile (wireless) signal

transmitted by the plurality of antennas).

Rudrapatna does not specifically teach selecting one antenna and the

geographic proximity, however, Rudrapatna teaches identifying one pair of the

plurality of antennas and transmit based on the signal frequency and time that is

directly related to the location of the receiver *(see for example, paragraph [004],*

lines 1-4, [005], lines1-12, [0007], lines1-9, [0025], lines 1-8, lines 20-32, [0026],

lines 1-15, [0030], lines 13-14, antenna selection based on the transmit signal

characteristics such as frequency content (based on location of the receiver).

In a related art dealing with plurality of antennas transmitting mobile (wireless)

signals *(see for example, column 1, lines 42-45, lines 56-57, column 3, lines 1-6,*

column 11, lines 1-9), Smith teaches selecting one antenna and the *geographic*

proximity (see for example, column 1, lines 42-45, lines 56-57, column 3, lines 1-

6, column 5, lines 28-34, column 11, lines 1-9, selection of a antenna and

transmission based on the location (geographic proximity)).

It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time

invention was made to include Smith's one antenna selection into Rudrapatna's

mobile communication system and plurality of transmission antennas provide a

CDMA communication system with greater transmission and signal diversity to

overcome the effects of multi-path fading, and to improve the quality of

communications system *(Smith, see for example, column 1, lines 41-45, column*

4, line 28-35, and column 13, lines 39-40, and column 5, lines 28-34).

Regarding claim 20, Rudrapatna discloses a method of optimizing

transmission of wireless signals to a receiver in a CDMA distributed antenna

system *(see for example, paragraph [0002], lines 1-4, [0004], lines 1-12, [005],*

lines1-12, and [0027], lines 1-8, the improved quality (optimized) transmission of

wireless signals in a CDMA system with distributed antennas) comprising the

steps of: providing a plurality of antennas *(see for example, paragraph [0031],*

lines 5-8, and [0032], lines 5-25, plurality of antennas), where the plurality of

antennas are configured to transmit a wireless signal *(see for example,*

paragraph [004], lines 1-4, [005], lines1-12, [007], lines 1-9, [0031], lines 5-8, and

[0032], lines 5-25, the plurality of antennas configured to transmit the wireless

signal to a mobile station), selecting *[one]* of the plurality of antennas to transmit

the wireless signal to the receiver based on *[geographic proximity]* of the *[one]* of

the plurality of antennas to the receiver *(see for example, paragraph [004], lines*

1-4, [005], lines1-12, [0007], lines1-9, [0024], lines 1-23, [0025], lines 1-8, lines

20-32, [0026], lines 1-15, [0030], lines 13-14, antenna selection based on the

signal characteristics such as frequency content (based on location of antenna to

receiver), and time slot); transmitting the wireless signal to the receiver using the

selected *[one]* of the plurality of antennas *(see for example, paragraph [004],*

lines 1-4, [005], lines1-12, [007], lines 1-9, [0031], lines 5-8, and [0032], lines 5-

25, transmitting the mobile (wireless) signal to the plurality of receiver); and

disabling unselected ones of the plurality of antennas from transmitting to the

receiver *(see for example, [004], lines 1-4, [005], lines1-12, paragraph [0024],*

lines 1-23, [0025], lines 1-8, lines 20-32, [0026], lines 1-10, the unselected

(disabled) antennas can not transmit to the receiver).

Rudrapatna does not specifically teach selecting one antenna and the

geographic proximity, however, Rudrapatna teaches identifying one pair of the

plurality of antennas and transmit based on the signal frequency and time that is

directly related to the location of the receiver *(see for example, paragraph [004],*

lines 1-4, [005], lines1-12, [0007], lines1-9, [0025], lines 1-8, lines 20-32, [0026],

lines 1-15, [0030], lines 13-14, antenna selection based on the transmit signal

characteristics such as frequency content (based on location of the receiver).

In a related art dealing with plurality of antennas transmitting mobile (wireless)

signals *(see for example, column 1, lines 42-45, lines 56-57, column 3, lines 1-6,*

column 11, lines 1-9), Smith teaches selecting one antenna and the *geographic*

proximity (see for example, column 1, lines 42-45, lines 56-57, column 3, lines 1-

6, column 5, lines 28-34, column 11, lines 1-9, selection of a antenna and

transmission based on the location (geographic proximity)).

It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time

invention was made to include Smith's one antenna selection into Rudrapatna's

mobile communication system and plurality of transmission antennas provide a

CDMA communication system with greater transmission and signal diversity to

overcome the effects of multi-path fading, and to improve the quality of

communications system *(Smith, see for example, column 1, lines 41-45, column*

4, line 28-35, and column 13, lines 39-40, and column 5, lines 28-34).

Regarding claim 3, Rudrapatna in view of Smith teach all the claimed

limitation as recited in claim 1, and further, Smith teaches collecting and storing

reliability data for transmissions from each of the plurality of antennas to the

receiver and identifying one of the plurality of antennas based on the stored

reliability data (see for example, column 10, lines 36-46, data is stored in memory

46).

Regarding claims 5 and 6, Rudrapatna in view of Smith teach all the claimed

limitation as recited in claim 1, and further, Smith teaches monitoring a reverse

communication link between the receiver and each one of the plurality of

antennas thereby determining a signal strength of each incoming reverse

communication link at each antenna and selecting one of the plurality of

antennas based upon the signal strength of the reverse communication link (see

for example, column 7, lines 19-29, the communication formed based on signal

strength and established distance, Figures 7-8, and detailed information, column

12, lines 9-67 continues to column 13, lines1-16), and selecting one of the

plurality of antennas where the signal strength of the reverse communication link

meets a preferred signal strength (see for example, column 7, lines 19-29, the

communication formed based on signal strength and established distance,

Figures 7-8, and detailed information, column 12, lines 9-67 continues to column

13, lines1-16).

Regarding claims 7 and 8, Rudrapatna in view of Smith teach all the claimed

limitation as recited in claim 1, and further, Rudrapatna teaches calculating a

distance between each pair of the plurality of antennas and the receiver thereby

establishing a set of distances and selecting of antennas corresponding to the

distance (see for example, paragraph [0031], lines 1-25), and further, Smith

teaches calculating a distance between each one of the plurality of antennas and

the receiver thereby establishing a set of distances and selecting one of the

plurality of antennas corresponding to the smallest distance among the set of

distances (see for example, column 7, lines 19-29, the communication formed

based on signal strength and established distance, Figures 7-8, and detailed

information, column 12, lines 9-67 continues to column 13, lines1-16).

Regarding claims 9 and 10, Rudrapatna in view of Smith teach all the claimed

limitation as recited in claim 1, and further, Rudrapatna teaches determining the

availability of the plurality of antennas, wherein an available antenna is an

antenna not currently in use (see for example, paragraph [0027], lines 1-17,

selecting available antenna), and further, Smith teaches selecting one of the

plurality of antennas based on the availability of each one of the plurality of

antennas (see for example, column 11, lines 19-27, lines 33-38, lines 42-49, lines

55-67, an antenna selection and communication channel actuation).

Regarding claim 12, Rudrapatna in view of Smith teach all the claimed
limitation as recited in claim 11, and further, Smith teaches wherein the pathway
manager is a device selected from the group consisting of a base transceiver
station (BTS), a distributed antenna system controller (DAS), and the receiver.
(see for example, Figure 4, column 9, lines 1-9, and column 10, lines 36-67, in
Figures 4 controller 32, Receiver 38 (with antennas 44), and transmitter 88
(connected to antennas 26)).

Regarding claims 15 and 16, Rudrapatna in view of Smith teach all the
claimed limitation as recited in claim 11, and further, Smith teaches wherein the
pathway manager identifies the one of the plurality of antennas by monitoring a
reverse link communication between the receiver and each antenna thereby
determining signal strengths of incoming wireless signals at each antenna. (see
for example, column 7, lines 19-29, the communication formed based on signal
strength and established distance, Figures 7-8, and detailed information, column
12, lines 9-67 continues to column 13, lines1-16), and wherein the pathway
manager selects the one of the plurality of antennas with a preferred signal
strength (see for example, column 7, lines 19-29, the communication formed
based on signal strength and established distance, Figures 7-8, and detailed
information, column 12, lines 9-67 continues to column 13, lines1-16).

Regarding claims 17 and 18, Rudrapatna in view of Smith teach all the claimed limitation as recited in claim 1, and further, Rudrapatna teaches wherein the pathway manager identifies the one of the plurality of antennas by calculating a distance between each antenna and the receiver thereby establishing a set of distances (see for example, paragraph [0031], lines 1-25), and further, Smith teaches wherein the pathway manager selects the one of the plurality of antennas corresponding to the smallest distance among the set of distances (see for example, column 7, lines 19-29, the communication formed based on signal strength and established distance, Figures 7-8, and detailed information, column 12, lines 9-67 continues to column 13, lines1-16).

Regarding claim 19, Rudrapatna in view of Smith teach all the claimed limitation as recited in claim 11, and further, Rudrapatna teaches selecting antenna and availability of the plurality of an antenna currently not in use (see for example, paragraph [0027], lines 1-17, selecting available antenna), and further, Smith teaches wherein the pathway manager identifies the one of the plurality of antennas by selecting the one of the plurality of antennas based on an availability of the plurality of antennas, wherein an available antenna is an antenna not currently in use (see for example, column 7, lines 19-29, column 12, lines 9-67 continues to column 13, lines1-16).

Regarding claims 21 and 22, Rudrapatna in view of Smith teach all the

claimed limitation as recited in claim 20, and further, Smith teaches measuring a

signal strength of a communication link to the receiver for each one of the

plurality of antennas and selecting one of the plurality of antennas having the

highest measured signal strength (see for example, column 7, lines 19-29, the

communication formed based on signal strength and established distance,

Figures 7-8, and detailed information, column 12, lines 9-67 continues to column

13, lines1-16), and measuring a signal strength of a reverse link from the receiver

to each one of the plurality of antennas (see for example, column 7, lines 19-29,

the communication formed based on signal strength and established distance,

Figures 7-8, and detailed information, column 12, lines 9-67 continues to column

13, lines1-16).

Regarding claim 23, Rudrapatna in view of Smith teach all the claimed

limitation as recited in claim 20, and further, Smith teaches measuring a signal

strength of a communication link to the receiver for each one of the plurality of

antennas further comprises measuring a signal strength of a communication

signal from each one of the plurality of antennas to the receiver (see for example,

column 7, lines 19-29, the communication formed based on signal strength and

established distance, Figures 7-8, and detailed information, column 12, lines 9-67

continues to column 13, lines1-16),

Regarding claim 24, Rudrapatna in view of Smith teach all the claimed

limitation as recited in claim 20, and further, Smith maintaining data relating to

reliability of transmissions to the receiver for each one of the plurality of antennas

and selecting one of the plurality of antennas having the highest level of reliability

(see for example, column 10, lines 36-46, data is stored in memory 46 and

selected one of the plurality of antennas).

Regarding claims 25 and 26, Rudrapatna in view of Smith teach all the

claimed limitation as recited in claim 20, and further, Smith teaches maintaining

data relating to a proximity to the receiver for each one of the plurality of

antennas; and selecting one of the plurality of antennas having the closest

proximity to the receiver (see for example, column 5, lines 28-40, and Figures 7-

8, and detailed information, column 12, lines 9-67 continues to column 13, lines1-

16, selecting an antenna based on proximity to the receiver), and maintaining

data relating to interference between each one of the plurality of antennas and

the receiver (see for example, column 5, lines 28-40, and Figures 7-8, and

detailed information, column 12, lines 9-67 continues to column 13, lines1-16).

Regarding claim 27, Rudrapatna in view of Smith teach all the claimed

limitation as recited in claim 20, and further, Smith teaches wherein the steps of

the method are performed in a device selected from the group consisting of a

BTS, a DAS, and the receiver (see for example, Figure 4, column 9, lines 1-9,

and column 10, lines 36-67, in Figures 4 controller 32, Receiver 38 (with

antennas 44), and transmitter 88 (connected to antennas 26)).

5.   Claims 28-29 are rejected under 35 U.S.C.103(a) as being unpatentable over

Smith (Smith et al. U. S. Patent 6006075) in view of Bergel (Bergel U. S.

Publication 2003/0017,835).

Regarding claim 28, Smith discloses a pathway manager *(see for example,*

Figures 4-6, column 1, lines 42-45, lines 56-57, column 3, lines 1-6, column 5,

lines 28-34, column 7, lines 3-47, the controller (32) with memory (46) manages

the transmission paths (path manager)) comprising in combination: processor

(see for example, controller (32)); an

antenna database coupled to the processor *(see for example, controller (32),*

memory device (46) and RF switch (24), Info Signal Source (14), column 7, lines

3-47, the antenna database connected to the processor), the antenna database

containing information of each antenna within a plurality of antennas of an

antenna system *(see for example, controller (32), memory device (46) and RF*

switch (24), Info Signal Source (14), column 7, lines 3-47); a data storage

medium coupled to the processor *(see for example, controller (32), memory*

device (46) and RF switch (24), Info Signal Source (14) , column 7, lines 3-47,

the memory stores information (data storage medium) coupled to the processor);

an interface coupled to the processor, the antenna database *(see for example,*

controller (32), memory device (46) and RF switch (24), Info Signal Source (14),

column 7, lines 3-47, column 10, lines 36-67 (downlink/uplink communication),

column 11, lines 1-28, lines 39-67, column 12, lines 6-9, the RF Switch

(interface), and memory are connected to the processor), and the data storage

medium, the interface configured to communicate with the plurality of antenna

(see for example, controller (32), memory device (46) and RF switch (24), Info

Signal Source (14), column 7, lines 3-47, column 10, lines 36-67 (downlink and

uplink communication), column 11, lines 1-28, lines 39-67, column 12, lines 6-9,

the RF Switch (interface) the memory and RF Switch connected to the controller

to communicate with the antennas); and *[a set of machine language]* instructions

stored in the data storage medium executable by the processor in response to a

request from a base transceiver station (BTS) to perform functions including *(see*

for example, controller (32), memory device (46) and RF switch (24), Info Signal

Source (14), column 7, lines 3-47, column 10, lines 36-67 (downlink and uplink

communication), column 11, lines 1-28, lines 39-67, column 12, lines 6-9, the

communication information is being stored in memory (storage) and the controller

produce instructions to perform downlink (from the base transceiver)

communication): accessing the antenna database to determine selection

characteristics of the plurality of antennas and *(see for example, controller (32),*

memory device (46) and RF switch (24), Info Signal Source (14), column 7, lines

3-47, lines 65-67 continued to column 8, lines 1-10, column 10, lines 36-67

(downlink and uplink communication), column 11, lines 1-28, lines 39-67, column

12, lines 6-9, the RF Switch (interface) the memory and RF Switch connected to

the controller perform downlink (from the base transceiver) communication);

identifying one of the plurality of antennas to transmit a wireless signal to a

receiver based on geographic proximity of the one of the plurality of antennas to

the receiver and based on the selection characteristics *(see for example, column*

1, lines 42-45, lines 56-57, column 3, lines 1-6, column 5, lines 28-34, column 11,

lines 1-9, selection of a antenna and transmission based on the location

(geographic proximity)).

Smith does not specifically teach a set of machine language instructions,

however, Smith teaches the communication information is being stored in

memory (storage) and the controller produce instructions to perform downlink

(from the base transceiver) communication *(see for example, controller (32),*

memory device (46) and RF switch (24), Info Signal Source (14), column 7, lines

3-47, column 10, lines 36-67 (downlink and uplink communication), column 11,

lines 1-28, lines 39-67, column 12, lines 6-9).

In related art dealing with mobile communication path control *(see for*

example, Figures 1-2, paragraph [0001], lines 1-4, [0002], lines 1-6), Bergel

teaches a set of machine language instructions *(see for example, Figures 1-2,*

paragraph [0001], lines 1-4, [0002], lines 1-6, [0062], lines 1-18)

It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time

invention was made to include Bergel's a set of machine language instructions

into Smith wireless base station *controller to provide* an improved mobile

communication between the base station and the mobile user *(Bergel, see for*

example, paragraph [0010], lines 8-10).

Regarding claim 29, Smith in view Bergel teach all the claimed limitation as recited in claim 28, and further, Smith teaches wherein the selection characteristics are selected from the group consisting of availability of use, reliability of receiving the wireless signal, and expected transmission signal strength *(see for example, column 1, lines 42-45, lines 56-57, column 3, lines 1-6, column 5, lines 28-34, column 7, lines 3-47, column 10, lines 36-67 (downlink and uplink communication), column 11, lines 1-28, lines 39-67, column 12, lines 6-9, column 13, lines 17-40).*

6.   Claim 30 is rejected under 35 U.S.C.103(a) as being unpatentable over Smith (Smith et al. U. S. Patent 6006075) in view of Bergel (Bergel U. S. Publication 2003/0017,835), and further in view of Kavak (Kavak et al. U. S. Publication 2003/0114,193).

Regarding claim 30, Smith in view Bergel teach all the claimed limitation as recited in claim 28, and further, Smith teaches wherein the interface is selected from the group consisting of a transmitter. However, Smith in view of Berge does not teach a coaxial cable, an Ethernet cable, and a T1 line. In related art dealing with mobile communication path control *(see for example, paragraph [0001], lines 1-5, [0017], lines 1-4),* Kavak teaches a coaxial cable, an Ethernet cable,

and a T1 line *(see for example, paragraph [0034], lines 10-18)*.

It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time invention was made to include Kavak's Ethernet cable connection with Bergel and Smith wireless base station *controller to provide* an improved mobile communication between the base station and the mobile user *(Bergel, see for example, paragraph [0010], lines 8-10)*, and to extend the capability of transferring signals to the internet and other data networks *(Kavak, see for example, paragraph [0034], lines 2-3)*.
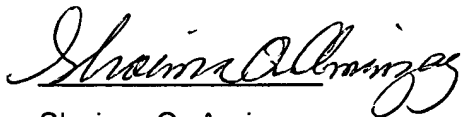
Conclusion

The prior art made of record considered pertinent to applicant's disclosure,

see PTO-892 form.

Inquiry

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